

Brave New World Study Guide

1. Who is the D.H.C.?
2. What is Bokanovsky's Process?
3. Why is Bokanovsky's Process one of the major instruments of social stability?
4. A certain treatment is performed to "make people like their unescapable social destiny." What is it called?
5. Why are the babies being conditioned to hate books and flowers?
6. How is the conditioning reinforced?
7. What is the name of the deity in this world?
8. Which word is now considered obscene.
9. Bernard Marx is different from his associates in many ways. Which of these sentences does **not** describe him?
10. Why does Lenina want to go out with Bernard?
11. What is soma?
12. How are Bernard and Helmholtz alike?
13. What is a Solidarity Service?
14. Why is Bernard unable to feel the oneness with his group?
15. How does Bernard want to spend his dates with Lenina?
16. What does the Director threaten Bernard with?
17. How are Linda and John different from the other savages?
18. Why is Lenina disgusted by Linda?
19. The women don't understand Linda's previous conditioning and whip her when she unknowingly violates one of their rules. What did she do?
20. What things does Mitsima teach John?
21. What book does Pope bring for John?
22. What feeling do Bernard and John have in common?
23. To whom does John liken Lenina?
24. How does Bernard humiliate the Director?
25. How do the people react when they first meet John and Linda?
26. How does Linda spend her time?

27. Why does John throw up?
28. Some of the "civilized" customs disgust John. Which of these is not one of them.
29. Why does John refuse to come to the party?
30. True or False: John's refusal causes Bernard to lose the respect of the people and get in trouble for being odd.
31. Which of these is not one of Bernard's reactions to his downfall?
32. How are the children conditioned to associate pleasant things with death.
33. John reacts to his mother's death by showing his love and concern. How is this seen by the nurse and the people in general?
34. What does John attempt to do after Linda's death?
35. What happens to Bernard and Helmholtz?
36. Why does the Controller say they should be happy with the situation?
37. Many things are banned because they would upset the stability of society. Which of the following items is not banned?
38. What does John mean when he says, "I claim them all"?
39. Why does John drink mustard water?
40. John wants to show his grief for his mother and his anger at society. He also wants to get rid of his desire for Lenina. What does he do?
41. To what end does John come?